



SERVICE-BASED SCHOLARSHIPS, GRANTS AND AWARDS

Bonner Scholars Program

Each year, the Bonner Foundation provides four-year community service *scholarships of up to \$4,000 a year to 1,500 students* at 25 partner colleges and universities. In turn, for the duration of their four years as an undergraduate, the Bonner Scholars commit 10 hours per week to a local community organization in volunteer service. They also participate in a summer community service internship and engage in trainings on leadership development and social justice topics so they become aware of how problems and issues in communities influence service work and public policy. The Bonner Program not only transforms students who are directly supported by the program, but also the partner campus and community in which they serve and learn.

The Bonner Foundation
10 Mercer Street
Princeton, NJ 08540
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(www.bonner.org/interestedstudents)

Cox Engagement Scholarship – Indiana University – Deadline March

The Cox Engagement Scholars Program provides for hard-working Indiana residents who are incoming freshmen, are academically strong, have demonstrated financial need, and have a commitment to service. Students selected as Cox Engagement Scholars earn the following:

- A scholarship for 25 percent of the total cost of attendance to represent a stipend for successful participation in the Advocates for Community Engagement (ACE) Program on the Bloomington Campus. They are required to demonstrate a commitment to their education and to their future, while serving Indiana University and the wider community through employment.
- A scholarship for the student's gap between existing IU scholarships, federal and state grants, and the official cost of attendance at Indiana University.*

Read more about criteria and application timeline here:

<http://scholarships.indiana.edu/scholarships/individual/cox/>

MacDonald Scholars – Indiana University

This is a program started and funded by Scott MacDonald to pay full-time university students to help others through innovative and impactful community service projects, undertaken under the sponsorship and supervision of participating colleges and universities. This program is aimed at students with a passion for community service. Students named MacDonald Scholars will engage in 280 hours of community service of their choosing, maintain set academic standards and communicate regularly with an approved faculty or staff mentor.

Read more about criteria and application timeline here: <http://macdonaldscholars.com/>

Comcast Scholarships - Leaders and Achievers Program

Each year, Comcast asks principals and guidance counselors to help them identify the best and the brightest high school seniors for recognition as Comcast Leaders and Achievers. Their signature scholarship program rewards young people for getting involved in their schools and making positive change in their communities. In recognition of their community service, academic achievement and leadership skills, winners receive one-time college scholarships. Since the first Leaders and Achievers were recognized in 2001, Comcast has awarded more than \$22.8 million in scholarships to help nearly 23,000 students pursue higher education.

(<http://corporate.comcast.com/our-values/community-investment/youth-education-leadership#accordion-2>)

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Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship – Deadline Dec.

Up to two Monroe County, Indiana graduating high school seniors may be awarded four-year (eight semesters or twelve trimesters), full tuition scholarships to pursue baccalaureate degrees at colleges in Indiana. The scholarship also includes up to \$900 annually for required textbooks and equipment. Students who demonstrate ability, leadership and potential through community service, exemplary school citizenship, outstanding academic performance and school attendance will be considered. Application deadline is December 1st before the following May award issuance.

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Phone: (812) 333-9016
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(<https://www.cfbmc.org/lasting-impact/apply-for-a-scholarship/lilly/>)
(<https://www.cfbmc.org/wp-content/uploads/2012/03/2016-LECS-Information-packet.pdf>)

National Caring Award – Deadline March

The National Caring Award is sponsored by the Caring Institute and the Pay It Forward Foundation. Each year 10 nominated adults and 5 nominated young adults (12th grade and below) are recognized through this program. The young adults each receive a \$2,000 scholarship. Nominations are due March 1st of the award year.

CARING INSTITUTE
228 Seventh Street, SE
Washington, DC 20003
Phone: (202) 547-4273
Fax: (202) 546-4510
Email: info@caring.org
(www.caring.org/caringawards.html)

Stamps Scholars

The Stamps Foundation partners with 41 universities and colleges in the United States to provide merit scholarships to exceptional young people. Its objective is to help the young leaders of today and tomorrow make meaningful advances towards their lifetime goals during their college years. The Stamps Foundation, together with its partner schools, is seeking candidates who demonstrate academic merit, strong leadership potential and exceptional character. All interested students should apply directly to one or more of the partner programs to be considered for the Stamps Scholarship. The Stamps Foundation does not award the Stamps Scholarships directly.

Mr. Randy McDow
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Atlanta, GA 30359-2074
(www.stampsfoundation.org/index.php)

DoSomething.org

DoSomething.org campaigns are fun and creative ways to serve your community in a way that doesn't require, in their words, an "old person, a car, or money." In addition to the satisfaction of doing something good for the community, campaign participants are also entered to win academic scholarships, usually of several thousand dollars, and other cool stuff.

Deadline May 31, 2016:

World Recycle Week- Recycle old or worn-out clothes to help our planet to win a \$5,000 easy scholarship.
Four-Legged Finishers- Caption a pet pic to show how cigarette smoke affects pets' health to win a \$5,000 easy scholarship.
Less Stress Test - Share tips with friends on how to battle stress and anxiety to win a \$2,000 scholarship.

Deadline June 30, 2016:

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Planet Zombie - Survive the zombie apocalypse in a low-income community by June 30th to win a \$2,000 easy scholarship.

DoSomething.org
19 West 21st St, 8th Floor
New York, NY 10010
(www.dosomething.org/us/about/easy-scholarships)

The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards – Deadline Nov.

The largest youth recognition program in the United States, The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards program recognizes middle level and high school students for their outstanding community service. The program was created in 1995 by Prudential in partnership with the National Association of Secondary School Principals (NASSP) to honor students for outstanding service at the local, state, and national level.

The program's goals are to applaud young people who are making a positive difference in their towns and neighborhoods, and to inspire others to think about how they might contribute to their communities through volunteering.

Awards include:

- Local Honorees: a Certificate of Achievement from their schools or organizations.
- State Honorees: \$1,000, an engraved silver medallion, an all-expense-paid trip with a parent or guardian to Washington, D.C., for national recognition.
- National Honorees: an additional \$5,000, an engraved gold medallion, a crystal trophy for their schools or organizations, a \$5,000 grant from The Prudential Foundation for a non-profit, charitable organization of their choice.

Student application deadline - each November before the following May awards recognition ceremony.

International Scholarship and Tuition Services
Phone: 1-877-525-8491 (toll free)
Phone: 615-777-3750
Email: info@applyists.com
(<http://spirit.prudential.com/view/page/soc>)

The Congressional Award

This award-earning, non-competitive program is a challenging and fun way for young people to become even more engaged in what they enjoy or would like to try out. The program is open to all 14 to 23-year-olds. Young people may register when they turn 13 1/2 years old and must complete their activities before their 24th birthday. Participants earn Bronze, Silver and Gold Certificates and Award Medals.

Goals are set in four program areas: volunteer public service, personal development, physical fitness, and expedition/exploration. Moving at their own pace – on their own or with friends - a student sets his own challenging goals when registering for the program. The Congressional Award has no minimum grade point average requirements. It accommodates young people with special needs or disabilities who are willing to take the challenge.
(<http://congressionalaward.org/about-us/program-areas>)

President's Volunteer Service Award

The President's Volunteer Service Award recognizes United States citizens and lawfully admitted, permanent residents of the United States who have achieved the required number of hours of service over a 12-month time period or cumulative hours over the course of a lifetime. Hours are measured over a 12-month period and awards are designated based on cumulative hours. The awards are offered in multiple levels and are designed to recognize each milestone of your service achievement. Levels include bronze, silver, and gold. Along with the ultimate honor of presidential recognition, recipients will receive a personalized certificate, an official pin, medallion or coin and a congratulatory letter from the president of the United States.

In Monroe County, Indiana, contact City of Bloomington Volunteer Network, (812)349-3472;
volunteer@bloomington.in.gov; <http://www.bloomingtonvolunteernetwork.org/pvsa>
(www.presidentserviceawards.gov/the-award)

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AmeriCorps

AmeriCorps is a civil society program supported by the U.S. federal government, foundations, corporations, and other donors engaging adults in involved community service work with a goal of "helping others and meeting critical needs in the community." Members commit to full-time or part-time positions offered by a network of nonprofit community organizations and public agencies, to fulfill assignments in the fields of education, public safety, health care, and environmental protection. The program is often seen as a domestic Peace Corps.

The AmeriCorps Education Award is a post-service benefit received by participants who complete terms of national service in approved AmeriCorps programs--AmeriCorps VISTA, AmeriCorps NCCC, or AmeriCorps State and National. An AmeriCorps member serving in a full-time term of national service is required to complete the service within 12 months. Upon successful completion of the service, members are eligible to receive the education award. The education award may be used to pay educational costs at eligible post-secondary educational institutions (including many technical schools and GI-Bill approved educational programs), as well as to repay qualified student loans. The dollar amount of a full-time award is tied to the maximum amount of the U.S. Department of Education's Pell Grant, thus it can vary from year to year. Currently, AmeriCorps members may earn up to the value of two full-time education awards and have seven years from the date they earned each award to use it.
(www.nationalservice.gov/programs/ameri-corps)

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